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JON W. DUDAS, et al., Defendants.	1:07cv846(JCC/TRJ)	
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SMITHKLINE BEECHAM CORPORATION, et al., Plaintiff,) v.		
JON W. DUDAS, et al., Defendants.	1:07cv1008(JCC/TRJ)	
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MOTION OF AMICUS CURIAE R&D LICENSING COMPANIES FOR LEAVE TO FILE A BRIEF ON THE ISSUE OF THE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED USPTO RULES ON AMICI' BUSINESS MODEL

AmberWave Systems Corp., Fallbrook Technologies, Inc., InterDigital Communications, LLC, Nano-Terra, Inc., and Tessera, Inc. are R&D Licensing Companies (the "R&D Licensing Companies") respectfully move for leave to file a brief as *amici curiae* on or before December 27, 2007, on the issue of the impact of the proposed USPTO rules on *amici* business model. Counsel for the Companies have conferred with counsel for Plaintiff Triantafyllows Tafas, the GlaxoSmithKline plaintiffs ("GSK"), and Defendants regarding this motion. Plaintiffs do not oppose this motion,

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and Defendants take no position on this motion. All parties agree, however, that the motion should be decided without oral argument.

As explained in further detail in the accompanying memorandum, the Companies have a direct interest in this litigation as representatives of the emerging technologies industry and can provide the Court with a unique perspective on the issues. In light of the current schedule and need for expedited resolution of this important case, the Companies seek leave to file an amicus brief one week after the anticipated cross motions for summary judgment in the above-captioned consolidated cases.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that on this 20th day of December, 2007, I caused a copy of the foregoing Motion of Amicus Curiae R&D Licensing Companies for Leave to File a Brief on the Issue of the Impact of the Proposed USPTO Rules on Amici Business Model and accompanying proposed order to be filed with the Clerk of the Court and such filing to be mailed via First Class Mail to the following:

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ORDER ON MOTION OF AMICUS CURIAE R&D LICENSING COMPANIES FOR LEAVE TO FILE A BRIEF ON THE ISSUE OF THE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED USPTO RULES ON AMICI' BUSINESS MODEL

This matter having come before the Court on Motion of Amicus Curiae R&D Licensing Companies for Leave to File a Brief on the Issue of the Impact of the Proposed USPTO Rules on Amici' Business Model, and there being no objection from any party to this action, this Motion is hereby GRANTED.

The amicus brief shall be due one week after the parties submit their cross
motions for summary judgment.
DATED:

JAMES C. CACHERIS United States District Judge